

## NEWS RELEASE

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### **Adkins Arboretum's Magic in the Meadow Gala Promises a Dazzling Evening Sat., Sept. 28**

Al fresco dining, crisp fall air and a golden moonrise over golden meadow grasses are promised when Adkins Arboretum hosts the sixth annual *Magic in the Meadow* gala, an enchanted evening to benefit the Arboretum's education and conservation programs. A limited number of tickets are still available for this dazzling gala event on Sat., Sept. 28.



As twilight falls, guests will enjoy live jazz by Chestertown band B Natural, featuring Pres Harding on guitar and a special appearance by the incomparable Joe Holt on piano. Wine, cocktails and spectacular fresh fare by Magnolia Caterers will be served in the meadow, surrounded by the Arboretum's 400 acres of majestic native gardens, wetlands, forests and streams.

The evening's exciting live and silent auctions will offer incredible travel experiences, local vacation and dining packages, art, jewelry and much more. New to this year's event is the "Best of Live" raffle. Only a few of the 100 tickets remain. One winner, whose name will be drawn during the event, will win one of the 11 unique and valuable live auction items, including trips to San Francisco, Washington State and the Canadian Rockies. Tickets are \$100, and purchasers need not be present to win.

Recognizing the Arboretum's important conservation mission, 27 regional and national corporate sponsors have lent their support to this year's Magic in the Meadow.

Tickets for Magic in the Meadow are \$125 per person (\$75 tax deductible) and can be reserved by visiting [www.magicinthemeadow.org](http://www.magicinthemeadow.org), e-mailing [mgallagher@adkinsarboretum.org](mailto:mgallagher@adkinsarboretum.org), or calling Meg Gallagher at 410-634-2847, extension 23. For the latest information on auction items, visit [www.magicinthemeadow.org](http://www.magicinthemeadow.org).

*Sponsors for Magic in the Meadow are CNB, Magnolia Caterers, Accounting Strategies Group, EDiS Company, PNC, Lake|Flato Architects, Morgan Stanley Smith Barney, Tyco Integrated Security, Apple Signs, Avon Dixon Insurance Agency, Babikow Greenhouses, Brodie Collins Consulting, Big Island Ventures, Choptank Electric Cooperative, Croft Wealth Management, Davis Bowen & Friedel, Inc., MidAtlantic Farm Credit, Gilbane, Inc., Joanne Shipley Graphic Design, Provident State Bank, Avery Hall Benefit Solutions, Delmarva Business Network, Clear Ridge Nursery, Severn Grove, Inc., Tanglewood Conservatories, Spy Publications and Tidewater Trader.*

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*Adkins Arboretum is a 400-acre native garden and preserve at the headwaters of the Tuckahoe Creek in Caroline County. Open year round, the Arboretum offers educational programs for all ages about nature and gardening. Through its **Campaign to Build a Green Legacy**, it will build the **W. Flaccus and Ruth B. Stifel Center at Adkins Arboretum** and a “green” entranceway to broaden educational offerings and research initiatives promoting best practices in conservation and land stewardship. For additional information about Arboretum programs, visit [www.adkinsarboretum.org](http://www.adkinsarboretum.org) or call 410-634-2847, ext. 0.*

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